

SITUATION REPORT NO. 12
INCIDENT NO. 2006-016
DATE: June 6, 2006 Time: 9:00 a.m.

TO: Governor John Hoeven
State Capitol
Bismarck ND 58505

1. NATURE OF DISASTER: **Spring Flooding/Severe Storms** – The rapid snowmelt of heavy winter snow accumulations, compounded by spring rains, snow storms and sudden warm temperatures, resulted in spring flooding in the Red River Valley.
2. DEATHS AND INJURIES: No change from previous reports.
3. DAMAGES: The State Operations Center (SOC) received the following reports from local emergency managers.

Benson County

On May 24, 2006, up to 1.75 inches of precipitation contributed to damage to previously saturated roadways throughout the county.

On May 11, 2006, the emergency manager reported damage to saturated roads and roadbeds. Several roads have water on the shoulder of the roadways and four roads have been closed due to washouts or water over the roadway. Officers for 14 townships have reported a total of 102 damaged road sites. Additionally, two families do not have road access to their residences due to a washed out roadway near Devils Lake. Access is provided by two miles of cross-country prairie trail creating a safety issue.

Pembina County

On May 23-24, 2006, the emergency manager reported up to 1.13 inches of precipitation impacting previously saturated and damaged township roadbeds.

4. RESOURCES:

LOCAL: No change from previous reports.

STATE: No change from previous reports.

FEDERAL: No change from previous reports.
5. VOLUNTEER ACTION: No change from previous reports.

6. **MAJOR ACTIONS:** On June 5, Governor Hoeven received notification that President Bush has approved North Dakota's request for a Presidential Disaster Declaration, designating 11 North Dakota counties and one tribal nation as meeting requirements to obtain federal funds for recovery from damages incurred during spring flooding that began on March 30 and making Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation Grant programs available for state and local recovery and mitigation efforts.

Counties and tribal nations included in the declaration are: Cass, Cavalier, Grand Forks, Pembina, Ransom, Richland, Rolette, Sargent, Towner, Traill, Walsh and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Tribal Nation.

Governor Hoeven named MG Mike Haugen, the Adjutant General, as the State Coordinating Officer (SCO), and Greg Wilz, Director of the N.D. Division of Homeland Security, and Lonnie Hoffer, the Division's Disaster Recovery Chief, as alternate SCOs. President Bush named Tony Russell of FEMA as the Federal Coordinating Officer (FCO).

On May 10, Governor John Hoeven signed a letter of request for a federal presidential disaster declaration for 11 North Dakota counties and one tribal nation. The Governor's request followed completion of a preliminary damage assessment (PDA) by federal, state, local and tribal officials. Statewide estimates of damage compiled by these teams showed losses of more than \$6 million in eligible damage to roads, bridges and other transportation infrastructure, which does not include costs associated with insured, electric co-op and agricultural losses or costs to individuals impacted by recent storms and flooding.

Rolette County

On April 20, the city commissioners for Rolette signed an emergency declaration for flooding.

7. **ASSISTANCE NEEDED:** No change from previous reports.
8. **OUTSIDE HELP ON SCENE:** No change from previous reports.
9. **OTHER INFORMATION:** A complete list of road conditions is available at the NDDOT website at www.state.nd.us/dot/.

The N.D. Division of Homeland Security's Situation Reports are posted on the Division's Internet home page. The address is <http://www.state.nd.us/des>.

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